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INDEPENDENTS ARE FOR WILSON

Non-Partisan League Form-
ed to Wage Nation-
Wide Fight

MEN OF BIG AFFAIRS

Norman Hapgood Will in Charge of
National Headquarters Which Will
be in Washington.

The campaign for the re-election of
Woodrow Wilson will be furthered by
a nation-wide, nonpartisan league
composed of business men, capitalists,
philanthropists, editors and other in-
dependents who ordinarily take no
part whatever in active politics.

The announcement of this league
was made in Washington yesterday
following informal conferences be-
tween its organizers, many of whom
came to Washington to attend the
meeting of the peace advocates. The
names of a group of these organizers
were also made public to indicate
the tremendous importance of the
part the organization may be ex-
pected to play in the campaign.

Many of these men have never be-
fore appeared in a fight for the elec-
tion of a President, and but few of
them have ever supported a Demo-
crat for that office either by their
vote or their voice. The names of the
members of the organization com-
mittee show the significance of the move-
ment.

This committee is composed of the
following:

Jacob Schiff, New York, banker
and philanthropist.

A. B. Farquhar, York, Pa., manu-
facturer and economist.

Norman Hapgood, Washington and
New York, editor.

Joseph W. Harriman, New York,
president Harriman National Bank.
Mass., banker.

Cleveland H. Dodge, New York,
merchant.

Charles H. Jones, Boston, manu-
facturer.

Henry Bruere, New York, muni-
cipal official.

Isidor Jacobs, San Francisco, can-
ner.

Lamar Hardy, New York, corpora-
tion counsel.

Rathbone Gardner, Providence, R.
I., Republican leader.

Russell Whitman, Evanston, Ill.,
Progressive.

Ray Stannard Baker, Amherst,
Mass., writer.

William E. Sweet, Denver, Col.,
banker.

Otto T. Mallory, Philadelphia,
capitalist.

Lawrence A. Woods, Pittsburgh,
Republican lawyer.

Paul Fuller, New York, lawyer.

John J. Murphy, New York, Ten-
ement House Commissioner.

Joseph M. Price, New York,
manufacturer.

Richard Lloyd Jones, Madison,
Wis., editor.

Herbert Quick, Springfield, Ohio,
editor.

Samuel Fels, Philadelphia, manu-
facturer.

Clarence Howard, St. Louis, Mo.,
manufacturer.

Bernard N. Baker, Baltimore,
capitalist.

Graham Taylor, Chicago, editor.

William Kent, California, Inde-
pendent Congressman.

John D. Crimmins, New York,
capitalist.

The roster points very clearly to
the fact that President Wilson will
be actively supported in the coming
fight by a class of men that no other
Democratic candidate in a generation
has been able to attract. And this sup-
port has come to Mr. Wilson with-
out the surrender by him of a single
conviction as to what constitutes leg-
itimate enterprise in this country.

This group of men, some of them
controlling millions of dollars in in-
vestments and most of them repre-
sentative of the best element of Am-
erican industry, are prompted to en-
gage in a political campaign in the
President's behalf because he has been
able to accomplish two vital things—
honorable peace and abundant pros-
perity. Such support can be

counted for on those grounds, if
there were no other.

A interesting circumstance about
the organization of this league is the
willingness of such men as compose
its committee to lend themselves to a
Democratic campaign before the Re-
publicans have had time to offer them
a candidate. In the ordinary course
of such movements the real independ-
ents of the country await the ac-
tion of the two national conventions
and then decide which of the two
candidates and platforms is most
worthy of confidence.

In the present situation, however,
the men in and behind the Nonparti-
san League are for Wilson, no mat-
ter whom the Republicans may nomi-
nate, or the Progressives, or the So-
cialists, or any other organization.
There is not now, at all events, a
possible candidate on the Republican
or Bull Moose horizon who holds the
league organizers off.

From the statement issued in con-
nection with the names of the or-
ganization committee, it is evident
that the committee expect to make
a sweeping campaign in behalf
of the president. They will organize
in every state that is remotely doubt-
ful and will carry on a national propa-
ganda entirely aside from the local
contests.

The political possibilities of such a
league as has now been started were
clearly demonstrated eight years ago
when John Hays Hammond organized
a similar movement in behalf of
Judge Taft. The Hammond campaign-
ers did effective work, throughout
the entire East and made themselves
a very considerable factor in the
overwhelming result of the contest.

National headquarters of the league
will be located in Washington until
after the St. Louis Convention.

COL. MOSBY SINKING.

In Critical Condition at Garfield Hos-
pital, in Washington, and His
Family Gives Up Hope.

Washington, May 29. — Colonel
John S. Mosby, who is critically ill at
the Garfield Hospital here, was re-
ported last night in a sinking condi-
tion. His family has abandoned hope
for his recovery. Col. Mosby has
been ill for the past few weeks with
the infirmities of old age. Yesterday
his condition became worse.

Several years ago Col. Mosby suf-
fered from a severe attack of illness,
but his wonderful vitality pulled him
through. However, his strength has
rapidly been failing, and he has been
unable to rally from his present ill-
ness.

Although a native of Virginia Col.
Mosby has made his home in Wash-
ington for many years. His last pub-
lic appearance was in Norfolk last
April.

REPULSED TEUTON ATTACKS.

Invaders Hurlled Back from Woods
by the French.

Paris, May 29.—In a five-hour bat-
tle waged last night on the west
bank of the Meuse, two most violent
German attacks from the Corbeaux
woods, west of Cumieres, were com-
pletely repulsed, the war office an-
nounced today.

The Germans launched the first at-
tack at 7 o'clock, attempting to re-
capture the trenches taken by the
French in Thursday's fighting. The
struggle continued for more than an
hour, the Germans finally withdraw-
ing into the ravine east of Dead
Man's Hill.

The second attack began just be-
fore midnight. Desperate fighting
went on under the ghastly glare of
illuminating bombs until the Ger-
mans were again hurled back into the
woods.

East of the Meuse violent artillery
struggles continued throughout the
night in the region of Vaux, but there
were no important infantry actions.
In Lorraine a German reconnaissance
near Parroy was repulsed.

French aviators took part in five-
teen aerial fights Sunday, bringing
down three German flyers, near Mon-
thois, Berry-au-Bac, and west of
Rheims.

Two other German planes were
brought down by the French cannon
mounted on motor cars, one north
of Avoncourt and another in the re-
gion of Forges.

HARD SHELL CRABS NOW ON
SALE AT RAMMELS CAFE

GAZETTE One Month 43c

PEACE IN THE PARTY RANKS

Withdrawal of Col. James
Brings Harmony in
Virginia

TO SUCCEED ELLYSON

"Unity" Slate For Roanoke Con-
vention Agreed Upon—Both Senators
will Attend.

As a result of the withdrawal of
Col. Rorer A. James from the race
for National Committeeman, clearing
the field for the unanimous election of
Representative Carter Glass, Demo-
cratic leaders of Virginia have agreed
upon a "harmony and unity" slate for
the Roanoke State convention, which
will be held June 2 and at which dele-
gates of the St. Louis convention,
a National Committee and a state
chairman will be elected. The slate
follows:

Delegate-at-Large to the National
Convention—Senator Thomas S. Mar-
tin and Claude A. Swanson, Gov.
Henry C. Stuart and Representative
H. D. Flood.

Chairman of State Central Com-
mittee—Col. Rorer A. James, of
Danville.

Democratic National Committeeman
—Representative Carter Glass, Lynch-
burg.

So far as is known this slate will
go through without a protesting
voice. It was agreed upon in order
to bring about perfect unity in the
Democratic ranks Saturday.

The action of Colonel James caused
general rejoicing among the Vir-
ginia Democratic leaders in the state.

Representative Flood, who was slated
for State chairman, agreed to elim-
inate himself. Colonel James' friends
believed he would be satisfied
if given the State chairmanship. Rep-
resentative Flood, as a reward for
his standing aside for Colonel James
for the State chairman, was offered
the support of the leaders for dele-
gate at large.

Senator Martin, who was backing
Colonel James for national com-
mitteeman, and Representative Glass,
leader of the "anti-organization"
forces and a candidate against Mr.
James, issued statements yesterday
expressing pleasure at the prospect
of party peace in Virginia. Rep-
resentative Glass, however, stated that
he had nothing to do with the move-
ment which brought about the with-
drawal of Colonel James.

"I am greatly pleased at prospect
of peace at Roanoke and the sub-
sidence of a bitter intra-party con-
troversy," said Mr. Glass. "The sole
purpose of permitting the use of my
name for national committeeman was
to respond suitably to an overture
for harmony in Virginia politics. I
am deeply gratified that the Demo-
crats of the state, regardless of fac-
tional division, so quickly appre-
hended this fact and so generously re-
sponded to the spirit of the occasion."

Senator Martin, in his statement
said:
"I have been all along exceedingly
anxious to see a harmonious con-
vention at Roanoke. I have done every-
thing in my power to see that re-
sult accomplished. It was a keen dis-
appointment to me when the contest
developed between Rorer A. James
and Mr. Glass. You can readily ap-
preciate, therefore, how deeply grati-
fied I am that the contest has been
ended. I feel that Mr. James' ser-
vices to the Democratic party and his
magnanimous action entitled him to
special recognition at this time, and
I most earnestly hope that he will
accept the position of chairman of
the state committee."

Colonel James in a statement, said
that he withdrew from the contest
for national committeeman in order
to promote party peace, as he has
found his candidacy a subject of
criticism that might possibly prove
injurious to Democracy in his state.
He added he regards this criticism
as unjust.

GAZETTE One Month 43c

DEVILED & HARD SHELL CRABS

AT JACOB BRILL'S FOOT KING ST.

J. J. HILL IS DEAD

Rare Medicine Has But Little Effect
on "Empire Builder"

St. Paul, Minn., May 29.—James
J. Hill, railroad magnate, died short-
ly before noon today.

His death followed an operation for
infection of his thigh.
St. Paul, May 29.—The condition of
James J. Hill, aged "empire builder"
and railroad magnate, was considered
so serious early today that his phy-
sicians gave out the announcement
that little hope is entertained for his
recovery.

His family has been called to the
bedside.

A little-used sedative, brought from
Chicago in a special train which set
a new record for speed between that
city and St. Paul, had little effect
in quieting Mr. Hill.

He passed a restless, unsatisfactory
day. His pulse was good, but his
temperature was high, and he suf-
fered considerable pain. At intervals
he was unconscious.

LOCAL BREVITIES

Asbury J. Davis died in Washing-
ton yesterday. The remains will be
interred in Bethel Cemetery in this
city tomorrow afternoon.

Robert P. Frostad, a plate printer
was drowned while swimming in the
Potomac, just above the Virginia
Bridge, early last night.

In the Circuit Court today the will
of the late Charles Mankin, Jr.,
was admitted to probate. All of his
property is left to his wife, Julia H.
Mankin, who qualified as executrix.

On Thursday, June 8, the past
masters of Alexandria-Washington
Lodge, No. 22, will confer the mas-
ter masons degree in Alexandria-
Washington lodge.

Nine children were baptized at the
Children's Day services of the Wash-
ington Street M. E. Church South
yesterday. An interesting program
was rendered.

Ascension Day services will be held
on Thursday at the three Episcopal
churches at 11 o'clock and at St.
Marys Catholic Church mass will be
said at 6, 8 and 9 o'clock.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary J.
Gaines, wife of James A. Gaines,
were held yesterday afternoon from
her home on Washington street ex-
tended and her remains were sent
to Fairfax, Va., for interment.

NAIL IN HIS HEAD 50 YEARS.

Headache ceases when Iron Works
Out Through Mouth.

Dawson, Pa., May 29.—A four-
penny nail, after being nearly 50
years in the head of Fred Seibert,
jr., came out through the roof of
his mouth Friday. Mr. Seibert has
suffered since he was 17 years of
age with constant headaches and,
despite medical skill, nothing could
be done for him. His headache ceases
when the bit of iron emerged
through the roof of his mouth.

When 17 years old a piece of lum-
ber fell on Seibert's head and caused
an ugly wound. Later the wound
healed and the head pains became
frequent.

STRUCK BY AN ENGINE

Amos Lyles, of 305 Commerce St.,
was struck by a switching engine
while on the railroad track west of
Baggett's field while witnessing a
baseball game yesterday afternoon.

Lyles was placed in an automobile
by Policeman Zell and taken to the
Alexandria Hospital and treated by
Dr. W. M. Smith for a cut on the head.

AUCTION SALE

Old Antique Furniture and other
household and kitchen utensils. I
will offer for sale on THURSDAY,
morning, JUNE 1st, commencing at
10:30 o'clock at 305 south St. Asaph
street all the above mentioned house-
hold effects.

SAMUEL H. LUNT
29-31. Auctioneer

HARD SHELL CRABS NOW ON
SALE AT RAMMELS CAFE

GAZETTE One Week 10c

CONVENTION TO DRAW BIG CROWD

Certain Matters Expected
to Cause Keen In-
terest

OVER 1200 DELEGATES

State Committee Will Meet Thurs-
day Evening to Make Arrange-
ments for the Gathering.

The largest gathering that has at-
tended a State convention in years is
expected in Roanoke this week.

The fixing of the convention date
by the State committee last March
was followed by a desultory uncon-
tested election of delegates, and the
weeks passed by with nothing more
interesting in prospect than a cheer-
ful indorsement of the administra-
tion and the selection of the St.
Louis delegation.

Then suddenly came the James-
Glass contest, and instantly the bat-
tle was on. Interest in the contest
at once was reflected in the doubling
of county delegations. Counties and
cities, answering the demand of citi-
zens who desired to be officially ac-
credited to the convention, began in
large numbers to elect delegates with
half a vote each, with the result that
instead of 900 delegates, each with
one vote, the convention promised to
attract more than 1,200 accredited
delegates.

Secretary Brenaman, of the State
Democratic Committee, said yesterday
that the localities which have elect-
ed double delegations with fractional
votes are larger in number than in
the case of any previous State Con-
vention in recent years. The James-
Glass contest revived interest in the
convention, and many who were at-
tracted by the factional fight will
attend even now that the main con-
test has been settled out of court.

For weeks every hotel room in Roa-
noke has been reserved by delegates
and their friends, Governor Stuart,
secretary Brenaman and other pro-
minent leaders will make their head-
quarters at the Roanoke Hotel. Lieu-
tenant-Governor Ellyson will be at
the Ponce De Leon. The convention
will meet in the new auditorium near
the Roanoke. Mr. Brenaman will
leave Richmond for Roanoke to-mor-
row night to make final arrangements
for the meeting of the State Demo-
cratic Committee, which will take
place at 8 o'clock on Thursday even-
ing. Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson,
who is chairman of the State com-
mittee, will leave on Wednesday night.

CHURCH SERVICES.

The Rev. Eugene B. Jackson, D.
D., pastor of the First Baptist
Church, who recently returned from
the great Baptist convention held at
Asheville, N. C., gave the congrega-
tion of the First Baptist church at
yesterday morning's service a vivid
account of his impressions of that
convention which he declared was
one of the most important in the his-
tory of the church.

At the Second Presbyterian Church
yesterday morning Adjutant W. H.
Heft, of the Salvation Army of
Washington, delivered an address in
the absence of the Rev. John L.
Allison, D. D., who has gone to
Bristol, Tenn.

VETERANS' SONS' MEETING.

A meeting of the M. D. Corse
camp of Sons of Confederate Vet-
erans and others who are interested
will be held tomorrow night at Lee
Camp Hall. At this time preliminary
arrangements will be made for the
entertainment of the United Confed-
erate Veterans when they hold their
reunion in Washington next spring.

CARD OF THANKS.

The board of managers desire to
acknowledge all donations, and to
thank the public for the generous
support given to the luncheon and
lawn party, recently held for the
benefit of the Alexandria Hospital.
(Signed) Mrs. J. F. Carlin,
Chairman

CONSECRATE NEW BISHOPS.

Impressive Service, Last Important
Business of Conference, Held
at Saratoga Springs.

Saratoga Spring, N. Y. May 29.—
Seven new bishops of the Methodist
Episcopal Church were consecrated
yesterday afternoon at an impres-
sive service, which was almost the
last important business of the twen-
ty-seventh general conference before
final adjournment today.

All of the board of bishops parti-
cipated in the service.

The conference urged members of
the church to ally themselves with
political efforts against the liquor
traffic. A new section of the disci-
pline will ask that members refrain
from the use of tobacco.

Suffrage was indorsed and poly-
gamy denounced. Efforts to remove
the "amusement clause" from the dis-
cipline again failed, and members are
still liable to expulsion if they play
cards, dance or attend theaters. Min-
isters who officiate at the marriage
of divorced persons now are made
answerable to their conference for
an act of maladministration. Previ-
ously there was no penalty.

BULGARIANS IN GREECE.

Twenty-Five Thousand Have Cross-
ed the Border.

Saloniki, May 29.—A Bulgarian
army of 25,000 led by German officers
and supported by German cavalry,
has crossed the Greek border. They
have captured Fort Roupeil, have
reached the site of the Demir Hisar
Bridge recently blown up by the
French and are swarming over the
Strumitza Valley. It is also reported
that they have taken Forts Dragotin,
Spatovo and Kanivo.

The invaders control the railroad
from Saloniki to Kavalla, which is the
key to Seres, and which opens up an
almost uninterrupted passage to
Sofia.

The Greeks at Fort Roupeil fired
26 shots at the advancing Bulgari-
ans and then retired.

The entire Serbian army, number-
ing 100,000 men, has crossed the Ae-
gean Sea from Corfu, where it has
been stationed and landed here. Gen.
Sarrailh, in command of the allied
forces, reports that the Serbians
claim the right to offer the first re-
sistance to the invading Bulgarians.
Cannonading is now in progress near
Demir Hisar, and infantry engage-
ments are reported from the left
bank of the Vardar.

The most intense excitement prevails
here and in Athens over the viola-
tion of Greek territory by the cen-
tral powers. The Bulgarian and Ger-
man officers gave the Greeks three
hours to surrender Fort Roupeil.
In demanding its surrender, they ex-
plained that the occupation was neces-
sary to secure the Bulgarian left
wing against an eventual attack from
the forces of the allies. As soon as
this purpose is accomplished, it was
explained, the occupied territory will
be restored to Greece.

While the Greek army is rendered
practically powerless by King Con-
stantine's determination not to enter
the war, the Hellenic people are de-
manding that the invasion of Greek
territory be avenged.

Reports from Athens declare that
a great mass of Bulgarian, German
and Austrian forces is concentrating,
prepared to back up the advance.

The belief is general here and in
Athens that it is the intention of
King Constantine to confine his ac-
tion to a protest. If this proves cor-
rect, it is feared there will be an
uprising among the Greeks.

HORSESHOERS' STRIKE NEAR.

Chicago Union Has First Difficulty
In Thirty Years.

Chicago, May 29. — Even the old
horses feel they must go barefoot if
there is not a quick adjustment of
the difficulties between the members
of the Horseshoers' Union and their
employers, the Master Horseshoers.

The most peaceful union in Chi-
cago is to start today, the leaders de-
clare. For 30 years there has been
amity between the horseshoers and
their employers. They have worked
side by side for many years, but
many of the master shoers still stand
at the forge and shape horseshoes
with their men.

"We simply cannot meet the de-
mands of the men who are asking
for an increase of \$1 a day," said
Robert Falconer and Edward O'Grady,
of the Master Horseshoers' Protec-
tive Association.

APPEAL COMES OUT OF MEXICO

United States Citizens at
Tampico Wire For
Protection

AGAINST AMERICANS

Carranza's Note, Due Today, Expect-
ed to Demand Withdrawal of United
States Troops.

Washington, May 29.—On the eve
of the receipt of Gen. Carranza's
new note, which officials believe will
renew the demand for withdrawal
of American troops from Mexico,
and with another conference between
American and Mexican military com-
manders about to begin, a protest has
been received at the White House re-
porting serious difficulties at Tampico
and the Mexican authorities.

The protest came in the form of
a telegram addressed to President
Wilson by 84 American citizens re-
siding at Tampico, who had held a
mass meeting and determined to lay
their case before the Government.
They declared the Mexican military
officials were promulgating decrees
designed to make it impossible for
Americans to do business in the coun-
try and told how one of their num-
ber had been arrested and imprison-
ed for three hours because he refused
to pay his employees wages fixed
by the authorities in excess of terms
previously agreed upon with the men.

The signers of the message, as-
serted their right to protection from
the American Government and an-
nounced their determination not to
comply with arbitrary and confiscatory
orders and decrees by the Mexi-
cans.

White House officials sent the pro-
test to the State Department for
investigation. Other complaints already
have been received regarding recent
decrees by the Carranza government
and it is probable that there will be
representations on the subject just
as soon as the controversy over the
presence of American troops in Mexi-
co is adjusted.

"It has become practically impos-
sible for an American to do busi-
ness of any nature in this section of
the country," the Tampico message
said, "because of restrictions placed
by the authorities that we believe to
be directed primarily against Ameri-
can citizens."

DAUGHTERS OF LIBERTY

Friendship Council Will Pay Visit to
Hope Council of Washington
Tomorrow Night

The representatives to the State
Council of the Sons and Daughters
of Liberty sent by Friendship Council
No. 28, of this city, made their re-
port at the meeting of this Council
last Friday night. They reported a
very large and enthusiastic meeting
of the state body, a gain in the year
just ended of five hundred and sixty-
nine members and the organization
of several new councils. The members
of Friendship Council will tomorrow
night take the 7:20 train for Wash-
ington, where they will be the guest
of Hope Council, No. 1, which will
hold a memorial service and class in-
itiation on that night.

TRIAL POSTPONED

The trials of Robert Johnson and
William Thomas, for burglary, which
were scheduled for tomorrow, have
been postponed by Judge Barley of
the Corporation court, until June 7.
Judge Barley has also postponed un-
til June 7th, the hearing on the mo-
tion of Robinson Moncre to quash the
indictment against Joseph Clark
charged with murder.

BAR ASSOCIATION

The quarterly meeting of the Bar
Association of the 16th Judicial Cir-
cuit will be held on next Saturday
when the lawyers will be the guests
of John S. Barbour at his home at
Fairfax Court House. In the after-
noon there will be a baseball game
between two teams selected from
members of the association.